

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION honoring Madeleine Balchan,
Distinguished Finalist for the 15th Annual Prudential Spirit of
Community Awards.

CHARBONNEAU

_____, read first time and referred to Committee on



SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION honoring Madeleine Balchan, Distinguished Finalist for the 15th Annual Prudential Spirit of Community Awards.

Whereas, Madeleine Balchan of Culver, Indiana, has achieved national recognition for exemplary volunteer service by receiving a 2010 Prudential Spirit of Community Award;

Whereas, The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards were created in 1995 by Prudential Financial, in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals;

Whereas, The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards are intended to recognize young Americans who have given their time, focus, and energy in contribution to the betterment of their communities;

Whereas, Madeleine was chosen out of over 21,000 young people across the country as a Distinguished Finalist for the 2010 program. Madeline is being named one of the top youth volunteers in Indiana for 2010;

Whereas, Madeleine helped organize an annual Relay for



Life fundraising event in Culver. This fundraiser has raised more than \$240,000 over the past two years;

Whereas, Madeleine worked with other high school students to plan and manage the events, which drew over 800 participants from her school and community;

Whereas, The money raised from the event was donated to the American Cancer Society, an organization close to Madeleine, as she has witnessed her mother, grandmother, and aunt battle cancer;

Whereas, In recognition of her achievements, Madeleine will receive an engraved bronze medallion at a local ceremony; and

Whereas, The success of the State of Indiana, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of the American Cancer Society depend, in large part, on the dedication of young people like Madeleine who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. The Indiana Senate honors Madeleine Balchan as a
2 recipient of a Prudential Spirit of Community Award, recognizing her
3 outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leadership and
4 community spirit, and extends best wishes for her continued success
5 and happiness.

6 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
7 transmit a copy of this Resolution to Madeleine Balchan.

